

COUNTY NEWS.

Deer Park.

Corn doing finely, farmers are looking happy, weas booming and strong indications of more rain.

The strawberry and ice cream festival at the residence of James Follett, Esq., on Thursday eve of last week was largely attended. The grounds were tastefully decorated with Chinese lanterns producing a very pretty and striking effect. The ladies of the Baptist church were in charge and a number from Ottawa were present, and all report a most enjoyable evening.

Flower Sunday was observed at the Baptist church in a manner worthy of the highest commendation. Although the church presented a mass of lovely flowers, the decorations about the altar were particularly attractive.

The gravel road at a recent meeting was warmly discussed. The argument brought forth by Mr. Holeman, was very weighty and to the point. It is evident that we will not have the road this year at any rate.

Mrs. Tiffany, mother of our worthy P. M., is enjoying an extended visit in the West.

Walter Follett and Walter McCullough, are each the owner of a fine new road cart.

Mr. Geo. Saunders' school has closed.

A picnic in the Clayton woods is on the tapis.

Miss Jennie Snell is spending her vacation at home.

Where is the Chautauque Circle?

BUCKLE UP.

Norway Notices.

Indications are, at present writing, that warmer weather is to take place, as we have experienced exceptionally cool weather for this time of year.

A Mrs. Thompson who has of late resided west of here, has moved into town and is to occupy the Anderson building, as we learn.

We noticed Hans Srenstad passing up the street recently, with quite a string of fish he evidently had secured at the river. We speak of it, as it was a much better haul than any of us succeed in getting.

Children's Day, Sunday the 10th, was observed at the M. E. church in this place with very appropriate exercises. The inside of the church was very tastefully decorated with flowers and evergreen designs. The singing and declamations by the children were very highly appreciated by all who were able to gain entrance to the audience room; there being an unusual turn out on the occasion. Much is due to the efforts of Rev. Mr. Jacobson who has recently taken charge of this parish.

Peter Olsonson, of Streator was in town Friday, with stock, and the way they put the cattle through on the road is only next to sure death, as we noticed one or two head just ready to drop as a result of very hard driving.

Mrs. Wm. Larson, who died on the 6th inst., was buried Thursday at the cemetery. She was one who had long resided at this place and had a large circle of friends.

We are informed that those fish brought home by the late expedition were immense, and no secrets are to it. You can ascertain further by calling on one of the several excursionists, Mr. Louis Mason, the most successful one.

Exchanges have it that our so-called city was well represented at the Hub in court proceedings, and it seems the court did proceed well, yes, as you are aware.

J. S. Hooland, a commission merchant of Chicago, was here the first of the week. Mr. H. has the confidence of the business men of this place, as considerable business has been transacted through his house in the past.

Sunday, the 10th, was a pleasant day, and with the church services brought out many friends to our village among whom were Mr. Peter Phelps and wife, of Newark, and Henry Pearson and wife, from South Danway were the guests of Mr. W. C. Rosenquist and family—come again.

The Hon. F. Bowen, of Sheridan, whiled away a few moments in our burg a few days since.

With the potato bug, the 17-year locust, and the small boys' fire crackers, and the would be joyful racket on our streets every evening one would think we were a Madison street community, and that Chicago was not sufficient to hold its majesty, the Plumed Knight and that it was a perpetual campaign demonstration.

The corn is growing more promising every day with warmer rains; there is the best of prospects about here for a fine crop.

A grand basket picnic and fishing party will take place from the Norway school building and proceed to the old fishing point on the Fox river west of town, on Friday afternoon the 29th inst., and we cordially invite our friends to come, bringing their baskets and lines and join with us. The school children will parade, leaving the building promptly at 11 o'clock a. m. Mr. Editor, don't forget you are invited to participate in the best we have.

Sold, two more binders and a mower of the improved all steel Doering. Our farmers here don't seem to know what machinery is taking the lead this season, and by the way, W. C. Rosenquist is a successful solicitor.

"OLD ROMAN."

Utica is quiet, moving with an uncertain gait in the direction of the promised boom financially, promised by the new regulations instituted by McConnell and his co-workers. Not but that many will be benefited by the absence of saloons, especially that class who would spend their last cent—these are compelled to desist until such times as they are brought in contact with adjoining towns. On the other hand, business is lagging, our merchants find more idle time, the old look of prosperity comes spasmodically and lingers as does a gleam of sunlight through occasional broken clouds. Farmers frequent our streets not as of old, Ottawa and La-Salle have drawn many away, and our revenue is depleted by the sum of \$3,000 yearly, and the day laborer who earns his dollar a day alike with the monied man is expected to make up the deficiency. I give you the picture, if we can stand it, you can.

The new elevator at the depot takes the heat of what grain is left here.

Gypsies have been thronging our streets, trading horses, etc. They are encamped near the river. They look as though soap was \$50 a bar.

Texas ponies are becoming quite numerous here, and they are harder to break than a bicycle.

Kemp, the photographer, who has been here for several weeks has gone to Seneca.

We have got a village pound, and now the hogs will have their wings clipped and less chances to study botany in the immediate vicinity of flower beds, or enjoying a free lunch off of vegetables in front of the grocery stores.

That we have an efficient and willing fire brigade is beyond dispute, as was shown last week when Perrin's blacksmith shop was on fire. Ours is the old-fashioned bucket brigade.

Wm. Swanland, after being paid off at the Sewer Pipe Works last Monday, was attacked by two roughs on his way home, with a view of robbing him. His loud cries for

help saved him, while the two men escaped unknown.

Marquette Entries.

Mrs. M. K. Oida, of Chicago, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. S. K. Jenks.

The W. C. T. U. met in the City Hall on Tuesday afternoon.

Rev. B. F. Rodgers preached to a fair audience in the Universalist church on Sunday last.

The M. E. church ladies gave a pleasant coffee at the residence of Mrs. Thos. Litten on Wednesday evening.

Rev. and Mrs. Smith, Mrs. J. Bailey, and Mrs. E. Brown, attend the session of the Ottawa Baptist Society held at Utica last week.

Miss Florence Perry is the guest of her brother, at Chicago.

Our Fourth will be celebrated by a big picnic in Robinson's grove, with speeches and contests of different kinds.

The second meeting of the series of Union Gospel meetings was held in the Presbyterian church Sunday evening. Rev. H. H. Smith, of the Baptist church, preached a sermon.

Miss Harriet Town, spends the summer with her parents in Bloomington.

The evening of the 4th will close with a grand ball given by the Hook and Ladder Co.

Miss Mable Conklin is in Naperville, visiting with friends.

Leland Ledger.

The commencement exercises of the Leland schools were held last evening, and to say that the house was packed is putting it mildly. It was crowded, jammed to the doors, and standing room was at a high premium. There were five in the class, and their essays were excellent. Prof. Heald, of Mendota, delivered a telling address, which teemed with good things for both parents and pupils.

The music furnished by a Chicago band was excellent.

T. S. Barnes has been supporting a new bicycle. He feeds it arnica and has it bandaged with red flannel. T. S. is the only man in town who could ride it on the first trial, and he only succeeded after the machine had kicked him in the ribs and dislocated his appetite.

Mrs. Dr. Freeman attended the commencement exercises of the Normal, at Kirksville, Mo. One of the members of the class is a junior sister.

Mrs. C. C. Keast, of Lake Geneva is the guest of friends here.

Byron.

The exercises of Children's Day in the M. E. church on last Sunday were a grand thing and there was a large attendance.

Miss M. Stenlund spoke unusually well.

Little Grace McFarland's song was highly appreciated.

Misses Whitmore and Anichnick sang beautiful solos. Enough cannot be said in praise of Miss D. Lane's recitation.

W. H. McIntyre and son were sight seeing in Chicago last week.

N. McIntyre went to the convention.

Who will be the nominees are the topics of conversation on our streets.

W. H. McIntyre's four horse team ran away in Ransom, throwing Denis Ryder and Burt Mc. out of the wagon. No damage to occupants, horses or wagon.

Strawberries by the dish or bucket full at E. C. Moore's.

Timothy Harty, living in Highland township, when driving near Kinsman, was thrown from his wagon in consequence of his team becoming frightened. He struck some 15 feet from the wagon lighting square on his feet and with such force that both ankles and shin bones were fractured.

Dr. Elliott of Wenona, and Dr. McCoy, of Ransom were sent for, and a dispatch for Dr. Davis, of Chicago. When an examination of his injuries were made, the flesh had to be cut some two inches to remove splint bones. Dr. Davis charged \$100 for his services. The case was a difficult one, but under the care of Dr. McCoy, the patient is doing well.

Assessor Lane has completed his assessments of this town and will have a reviewing of the books on Monday, June 25th, '88, at the City hall in the village of Ransom. All those who think they have been assessed to high will please call and if so, have the matter adjusted.

One of the grandest old fashioned German weddings took place here on last Wednesday. The happy couple were J. A. Frandlin, of Streator, and Miss Mary Myers, of this place. Details would consume too much space.

Shrouded in Mystery.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week were taken up in the Circuit court by the trial of Mike Szabo No. 1, John Melioris, John Szabo and Mike Szabo No. 2, the alleged murderers of Edward O'Neil on April 18th last, in a Hungarian saloon on Main st., Streator.

The crime, while not entirely unprovoked, was an atrocious one. Edward O'Neil with a friend named Grady, entered the saloon in the evening and indulged in beer. They had been in an intoxicated condition all afternoon, and were in a quarrelsome mood. After their entrance, Mike Szabo No. 1, accompanied by the three other defendants, dropped in and in some manner O'Neil became highly incensed against them, calling the twenty or more Hungarians in the house disreputable names. There was thereupon a rush for both men, O'Neil was knocked down and the back of his neck coming into contact with the iron rail in front of the bar, caused fracture of the vertebrae, death being instantaneous. Mike Szabo No. 2 was seen to arise from the body, while John Szabo was kicking Grady who lay under a table near by. O'Neil was taken to the city hall in a supposed drunken condition and it was not known that he was dead until the gaslight fell upon his face.

THE TESTIMONY.

John Connor testified to substantially the above facts. He speaks Hungarian and is on intimate terms with nearly all the Huns in Streator.

John Argrave, who was also present, heard the rush, and turning around saw the Huns upon O'Neil, the four prisoners being foremost in the fight.

Andrew Wrago also testified to about the same state of affairs.

Dr. Smith testified that he held the post mortem, and found that O'Neil's ear was cut, head bruised and neck broken. Thought the cut was made with a beer glass, and his neck broken on the foot rail of the saloon, against which he must have been hurled with great force.

Marshal Hall, Asst. Marshal Knapp, and Officer Neusbaum, of Streator, stated that they had found the body and arrested the prisoners. The iron rod in front of the bar was eight inches above the floor, and three-quarters of an inch thick. The victim was on his face when Neusbaum found him, and on his side when he came back with the others. His head was about a foot from the rail.

THE DEFENSE.

Mike Szabo No. 1, Mike Szabo No. 2, and John Mulatoris, who admitted that they were present, and heard O'Neil curse the

Hungarians, but here their memories entirely failed them, and left them, as their testimony left everybody else hopelessly in the dark as to subsequent proceedings. But for the eyes and ears of others the world could never have known there had been a murder on the night of April 18th, or any other night!

With the testimony of a man named Pedro, the defense closed, and the case went to the jury on Thursday noon. On Thursday evening the jury had agreed, and when polled rendered a verdict of not guilty.

About Crops.

The crops in those portions of the State that have been favored by frequent rains, have made good growth during the past few weeks. The serious damage done to corn in this county by the washout rains of last month, have been followed by a replanting of more than half the corn acreage. In the Southern counties of the state the serious damage threatened wheat and corn by the invasion of vast numbers of chinch bugs has lessened somewhat since the rains, but unless abundant and early showers are had in this section, there will be an unprecedented failure of the crops this season.

Corn. In those portions of the county where replanting has not been found necessary, the late rains and hot weather have had a marked effect in improving its condition. In fact, barring washouts, corn has made a vigorous growth in all parts of the state visited by warm rains of recent fall.

Wheat. There has been a good growth of oats in the county during the past two weeks, the rains and warm weather making the farmers confident of an average yield. In the northern and central counties generally there will be a good yield if the weather remains favorable.

Wheat. There is practically no winter wheat in La Salle county, but the limited area of spring wheat sown is in a promising condition for an average yield.

In counties where winter wheat is standing, it has not improved during the past week. The reports showing a slight variance for the better in the outlook for this crop are the exception.

Frederick, Emperor of Germany, died on Friday last, and is succeeded by his son, now the Emperor William. Though his coming to the throne was looked forward to with solicitude by all Europe, he has, since his accession to the throne, issued to the army and navy addresses, which, while, of course, patriotic, are pacific in their tone. Germany has no dreams of conquest, but will maintain her own and make war only when it is forced upon her.

The new Emperor was born in January, 1859, educated with all the severe discipline which is the lot of German princes, and while a boy worked in a printing office. He was married in 1881 to Princess Victoria of Augustenburg, and is the father of four children.

Waived from Track and Road.

Starting Judge, Charles M. Smith, of Earl, departed the other day on his annual tour of the west, and will fill the starter's stand at a number of good tracks, including Council Bluffs and Omaha.

Gen. Schuyler, the well known horse, owned by James Carow was shut out at the Iowa City races last week. He went on Thursday at Cedar Rapids.

The secretary of the Ottawa Driving Park Association is busily engaged in sending out blank entries to horsemen all over the country, and is given assurance that Ottawa will have the largest meeting she has yet seen, with faster time than ever before. Flyers are coming that will astonish the natives.

The La Salle Races on the 4th will interest some of the Ottawa people. Dr. Sheppard, 229, the property of Peter Dunlevy, is entered and will go in the 2-29 class.

BLUE BLOOD.

In a report in the Horseman of June 7th, I notice that the great race of the week at Quincy, Mich., was the four-year-old stake race, won by Eminence in three straight heats, in 2:31, 2:30 and 2:32.

Eminence is by Mr. Lawrence's horse Empire 2378 record 2:35, and she is entered to trot in our races commencing July 31, with Sally Cosack, 2:28, of the Canon Stock Farm; Birdie, owned at Paw Paw; Almont, owned by L. W. Hess, and other good ones. This race promises to be a horse race here, as it was at Quincy. The sire of Eminence was a trotter, as well as his dam, and it is no more than could be expected to see Eminence step out as she has done, making a record as a three-year-old, of 2:27.

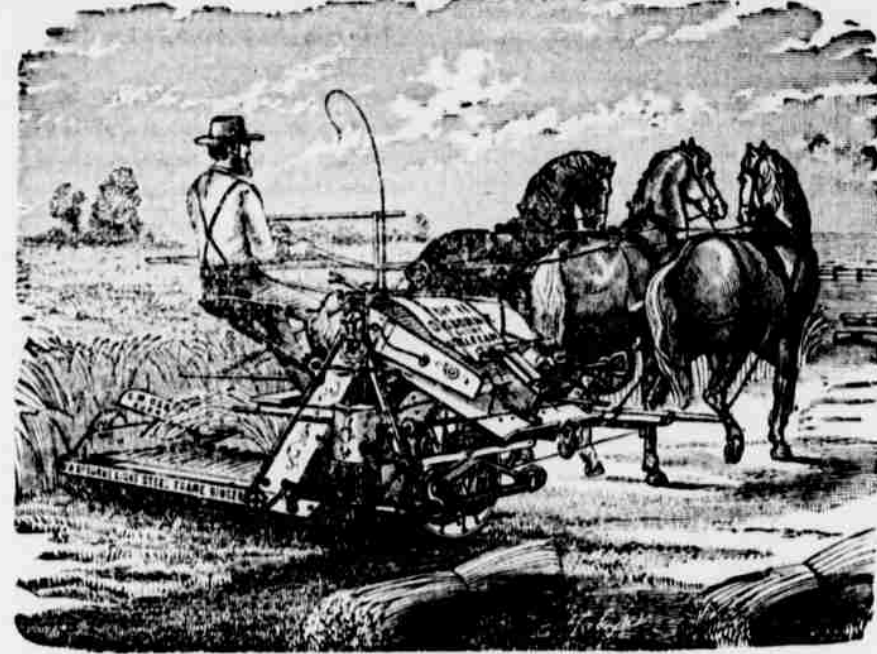
Mr. Dorr has some good ones under his care this season, among which is the well known stallion White's Blue Bull, 2:35, now in stud. He will be put into training at once, and Mr. Dorr assures me that he can beat 30. He has a three-year-old black pacer that can show a gait of 40. He is an unbrid Blackhawk-Morgan and is owned by R. H. Poor. Among others are a gray four-year-old by Henry F., owned by Thomas McDermott, that shows a 2:30 clip; a brown stallion, 4 years, by Byron 2:25, sire of Ottawa Chief 2:25, showing a mile in 2:50; and a 4 year pacer, by Geo. H. Lowe, the property of Geo. Bricks, that shows a mile in 2:40.

FINE COLTS SOLD.

W. J. Neely of this city has sold to Chas. McKissick, Mayville, Dakota, three very choice colts. Mr. McKissick came here and examined the stock and then went to Kentucky, but not finding there any better, came back and bought of Mr. Neely. He had an order to buy the best regardless of cost. He bought the 2 year old stallion Tippo 6942, by Byron Pilot 1598, (son of Byron 84, 2:25) sire of Ottawa Chief, 2:25 and the dam of Susie S, 3 year old record 2:20, and others. First dam Evaline by Ensign 469, 2:28; 2d dam, Lizzie Tryon by Neely's Henry Clay 507; 3d dam, Lucy M. by Richard's Bellfonder 63. Tippo showed a quarter of a mile in 42 seconds. Also the bay 2 year old filly Myrtle by Enquirer 1830 (son of Ensign, 2:28); 2d dam, May Bee by Byron, 2:25; 3d dam Kate O'Brien by Imp. Sythian and O'Reska, Bay 2 year old filly by Enquirer 1830; dam, Keepsake by Neely's Henry Clay 507, 2d dam, Cora Neely by Bellfonder 63. They are fine ones.

Some one says very aptly the difference between the Mills bill and free trade, is the difference between trimming one's finger nails and cutting the hand off.

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THE COURTS.

Circuit Court.

Criminal.—Frank McGraw, indicted for burglarizing a Mendota saloon, plead guilty and was given one year at hard labor in Joliet.

Wm. Fr., of Streator, indicted for burglary, also plead guilty and received the same sentence. Fred Spencer, who made off with King's silverware, Clegg's tools, library books, etc., also plead guilty, and was given a term in jail. John was also given a dose of stilled boiler iron. The cases of Barrett, Adams, Andrew Szabo (for resisting arrest) and Lucinda and Wm. Allen were certified to the county court.

Law.—Jas. A. Rubel, assignee of W. O. Tyley Paper Co. vs J. F. Kendig and Lester A. Rose, as J. F. Kendig & Co., damages assessed at \$145.27 for profit. Chicago Store Works vs Geo. B. Dewey, damages assessed for piff at \$288.55. H. C. Strawn vs Benj. F. Shotwell et al., judgment for piff for \$301.54; Philip Myers vs same, judgment for piff for \$603.28.

Chancery.—Fannie Simpson vs Wm. Simpson; decree of divorce.

Probate Court.

Monday was claim day in the Probate court, and by the way claimants clamored at the rail of the court one would have been lead to conjecture that they were about to gobble up the Court House and snatch the Statutes bald headed at one fell swoop! But the swoop was delayed, and nothing but a perspiring Court trying to finish a three day's business in one, occasioned a ripple in the even course of court house life.

Petitions were numerous, and those to sell real estate were filed in the estates of Patrick Daly and Charles A. Amber, Joshua M. Hibbard and D. F. Schneider in the guardianship of Annie Carroll, David Lachman et al., Harry S. Whittlesey and Annie Hebel, and in the conservatorship of Harry A. Carleton.

Adjustments of claims was effected in the estates of P. J. Copp, P. J. Miller, J. W. Galaway, J. P. Seofield, W. S. Scott, J. C. Gillen, August County, D. C. Haren, D. Collins, and John Lonsamey.

Mortgages.—An order for final settlement has been entered in the estate of Mary Holmes, James Bane and P. Mehen. The will of Ezekiah Nellis was admitted to probate.

In the County Offices.

Licenses to marry have been granted to C. C. Downer and Sarah J. Taylor, Earnest L. Leonhart and Mary Bersinger, Henry Nadler and Jennie Supe, John Jurecka and Sue Oleyar, A. Allen and Millie B. Lee, Mark Rawley and Catharine Guest, Simon Barber and Catharine Brown, Harry Imabe and Kate Inger, John Shean and Eva Holmes, John Kovance and Mrs. Susan Bakalar, Patrick Neary and Katie Manley, John J. Hoare and Catharine A. Leen, Peter Lukolowski and Aalbuai, and Frances Jones and Jane Wacindocx.

RECORDER'S OFFICE.

During the week ending June 20th, one hundred and three instruments were filed in the Recorder's office, of which sixty one were deeds, twenty one were mortgages, and seventeen were releases; one an anti-nuptial agreement, and three agreements.

The amount of deeds of \$1000 or over was \$32,000, and the amount of mortgages of a like denomination \$24,000, the difference being \$8,000. Thus the per cent of deeds is 57, and of mortgages 43.

Among the more prominent transfers were John Deann to Abraham Hass, wh of nwg, sec 26, Troy Grove, \$5,000.

Patrick W. Coreoran to Julia Murphy, lots 11, 12, 13, and 14, in blk 3, Hosack's add to Seneca, \$2,000.

Alexander M. Parker to Rebecca M. Parker, undivided sixth of lots 1, 2 and 3, in block 9, Outer Creek add to Streator, \$1,000.

Jacob Ducker to Fred J. Denny, lots 10 in block 168, Brewster's add to Peru, \$1,100.

Edward Alkinson to I. C. Cope, lot 16 in block 19, Streator, 1,800.

Mary A. Grover to J. C. Barlow, lots 3 in block 5, Homestead add to Streator, \$1,000.

Mary J. Doran to Elizabeth Stadden, 15-20 acre in sh sqw sec 28, Rutland, \$1,000.

Conrad Zimmerman to John Linder, sh neq of sec 8, Richland, \$5,000.

S. Benton to J. Larsen, nwg nh of sec 18, Adams, \$1,200.

J. H. Webber to M. D. Webber, sh eq of sec 22, Osage, \$4,000.

Charles Kuhl to Lottie Simke, nh of lot 9 block 3, Streator, \$1,000.

Taken to Chicago.

George Young, the red handed and red faced young man, arrested by Officer Daly at the Q. depot, a few days ago, was identified on Saturday morning by the postmistress at Vermillionville, as the burglar who entered the post office at that place a few weeks ago, taking her revolver, purse and a quantity of postage stamps. Her description of the goods taken tallied perfectly with those found on Young, and he was taken to Chicago by a Deputy U. S. Marshal on last Saturday evening. When the United States Court has finished tattooing George, he will be an older and more experienced man.

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